

## **NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION**

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act. The Administrator has received an application for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit, NV0022942, from the following applicant:

United States General Services Administration  
600 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Suite 550  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

The Applicant proposes to continue to discharge a daily maximum of 49,500 gallons per day of treated groundwater to the Las Vegas Wash via the Las Vegas Boulevard stormdrain system and Las Vegas Creek. Permanent dewatering of the Lloyd D. George United States Courthouse is required to prevent flooding of sub-level parking and basement areas. Treatment is required because the shallow groundwater in this area is reportedly contaminated with benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene, perchloroethylene, and petroleum hydrocarbons. Monitoring of the treated discharge is conducted to ensure that surface waters are not degraded as a result of the discharge. Discharge of stormwater from the basement parking garage is also included in this permit.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue a permit, NV0022942, to discharge for a five (5) year period from the expiration date of the previous permit, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on July 26, 2004, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Water Pollution Control  
333 West Nye Lane  
Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Bruce Holmgren, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9423 or at [bholmgre@ndep.nv.gov](mailto:bholmgre@ndep.nv.gov). The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. For further information, the fact sheet for this project can be viewed at the following website address: <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.